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The CAT tax is one of the most devastating blows to small business that the government has forced upon us, perhaps the most damaging ever. Oregonians are already paying substantial taxes and this one is the last nail in the coffin for many small businesses in our state. I, personally, know of several small businesses that have closed their doors due to the hardships of being taxed on gross revenue, which is an absurd idea in the first place. Those that have stayed have simply added the tax to their products, making for a higher cost of goods to the consumer. It affects everyone negatively and people are leaving the state in droves. Our last governor cared nothing for the people of Oregon, I am hoping this new administration will listen and do the right thing and abolish this business killing tax for the good of the people.